

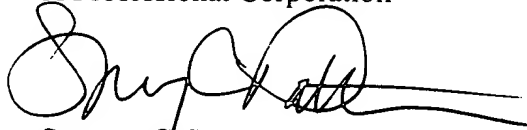
REMARKS

Applicant respectfully submits that the foregoing amendment does not add new matter to the application, and that support for the above amended portion of the Brief Description of the Drawings is present in the specification as filed, on page 17, at lines 16-21.

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of this application as amended and earnestly solicits an early Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX I TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Fig[s] 6[A to 6C] shows the [path] progression of a broadcast message originating from the top computer of the hierarchy.